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FARMERS MEET AT LOUISA ON AUGUST 14, 15, 16

Lawrence county farmers should keep in mind the tent meeting to be held in Louisa from Thursday night, August 14, to Saturday night, the 16th. Sessions will be held afternoons of Friday and Saturday, and on the three nights.

The list of speakers has not yet been received from Louisville, but we hope to have it in time for our next issue. It is safe to say, however, that the speakers will be worth coming miles to hear.

There will be a very beneficial meeting for all who will attend. There will be moving pictures at night that are sure to interest everybody who cares anything for farming.

Make your arrangements to attend.

CHURCH LEADERS GO TO ST. LOUIS

Rev. F. S. Pollitt, Huntington, missionary secretary for the Western Virginia conference of the M. E. Church South; Stuart H. Bowman, Huntington, conference secretary; Rev. J. Williams, Harboursville, president of the Huntington district; Rev. G. W. Tynham, president of the Louisa district; Rev. I. N. Fanning, president of the Charleston district; and H. O. Thornburg, a prominent Huntington layman, left Tuesday for St. Louis. They go to attend a council on Centenary conservation, which will be held in St. Louis on July 30 and 31.

Six conferences will participate in this council. They are Western Virginia, Kentucky, Louisville, Illinois, Missouri and Denver.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS.

Apportionment of the \$4,500,000 to be raised by Kentucky Baptists in the "Seventy-five million Baptist campaign" has been announced. The week of November 20 to December 7 has been set for the drive. Among fifty-three associate directors to Prof. John L. Hill, of Louisville, with appointments for their associations are: Rev. W. C. Reeves, of Ashland; \$45,000, Greenup Association; Rev. S. D. Grumbles, Paintsville; \$50,000, Enterprise Association.

8,000 AMERICAN TROOPS TO STAY ON RIVER RHINE

Coblentz.—The First division will begin entraining for Brest about August 15. This would leave a total of about 8,000 American troops in the Army of Occupation.

This force would be composed of the Eighth Infantry, with a company of engineers, a company of military police and a unit of artillery.

The Third Division will begin entraining for Brest August 5. It was said a week would be required to move the division to Brest.

A Washington dispatch announced that all of the First Division except the units to be retained in Germany would entrain August 15, but the strength of the force to be left on the Rhine was not given.

WEST VA. MAN FOR PRESIDENT

Charleston, W. Va.—West Virginia Democrats already have been assured of the support of some of the most prominent leaders of the party in three states for the boom which is to be launched within a few weeks, probably at Clarksville or Washington, in behalf of the candidacy of John W. Davis, Ambassador to Great Britain, for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

This information was received from one of the most prominent of the Davis boosters in the state, who declared that the nation-wide publicity campaign would be organized at an early date. It will be made up of West Virginia Democrats, but at least three other states are expected to be represented.

The states in question are said to be Maryland, Virginia and Kentucky. At least one of the leading Democrats of each of these states already has been consulted personally, and it is the belief of the Davis boosters in this state that when the boom actually is launched it will be with at least four states behind it actively.

The enthusiasm behind the movement in West Virginia has been gaining force rapidly in the last month, and all divisions of the party in West Virginia are said to favor it. Actuated by the belief that there is no other Democrat in the country who has a better chance of winning the nomination than Ambassador Davis, they are willing to overlook local animosities in lining up solidly behind his candidacy.

Although Governor John J. Cornwell has made no public statement on the subject, it is understood that he is strongly in favor of Davis and will lend every possible encouragement to organizing for the nation-wide campaign.

It is predicted by Democrats who are taking part in the formation of plans for organizing the committee that it will be well under way by September, and possibly may come before that time.

In other words, West Virginia Democrats have already been in the air for John W. Davis, and their coats soon may follow their hats.

GIRL HELD CAPTIVE BY ARMY DESERTER IN MOUNTAIN HUT

Bluefield, W. Va.—Manderville Farley, alleged to be a deserter from the army, and the reputed leader of a band of outlaws, is in the mountains about twenty miles from here, near the Raleigh county line, holding in captivity a fourteen-year-old girl, defying the authorities to come after him, but with his chin shot off and a bullet through one of his shoulders inflicted by the girl's father who made an unsuccessful attempt, single-handed, to rescue his daughter and take Farley a prisoner, according to word received here.

Farley and his gang are said to have been making the mountains of that section their rendezvous since the early part of the outbreak of the war. Farley and the girl, a Miss Abbeville, became sweethearts and the mountaineer persuaded the girl to elope with him, and is alleged to have taken her back into the mountains, where he has been holding her in captivity.

DR. STURCELL IS OF SOUND MIND

Louisville.—That Dr. George M. Sturgell, Ashland physician and former First Lieutenant in the base hospital, Camp Taylor, who is being tried by court martial for alleged theft of \$153 worth of government property, is of sound mind, was the testimony of Major William H. Nafis, member of the special medical board appointed to investigate the sanity of the accused.

DOINGS IN THE LOCAL OIL FIELD

The test well on Dr. C. B. Walter's farm on upper Blaine has been drilled deeper and a very encouraging showing of oil is found. A shot of 80 quarts of nitroglycerine will be exploded in the well on Friday of this week if the material can be delivered there by that time.

On the Morris farm a production that looks to be sufficient to pay was found at about 250 feet, but the well will be drilled deeper.

The Almon Oil and Gas company has drilled in a good gas well on the Phillips farm.

Considerable acreage on Catt has been leased by a company that proposes to develop.

The W. Va. Oil, Gas & Distributing company has made a location near the line of M. F. Conley, Trustee. On the latter tract well No. 3 will start at once.

A shot was given the New Dominion well recently completed on Carl Bussey's farm, in the Busseyville field, on Wednesday afternoon. Thursday morning, it is reported oil was standing in the well at a depth of 400 feet. This indicates that this is the best well yet drilled in the Busseyville field. This is the well started by E. E. Franklin.

The Omar Oil & Gas company is starting a well on the Lan Bradley tract this week. Tom Hays is drilling it.

The second well on the Line Moore farm is being drilled.

SMALL POX ON TROOP SHIP; 138 WAR BRIDES ISOLATED

New York.—The first case of small pox discovered on a returning troopship held up the transport Mobile from Brest on her arrival here today, resulting in the quarantining of the nearly 5,000 officers and men on their arrival at Camp Mills and the segregation of 138 "war brides" under care of the Red Cross after they were landed at Hoboken.

A Filipino mess boy was found to have developed a mild case of the disease after the vessel left France, and he was quarantined with his three Filipino companions in the ship's hospital. Then all persons on board were vaccinated.

The Mobile brought the first of the Fourth division to return home, including the 93 officers and 3,151 men of the 47th Infantry, and 21 colonels and lieutenant-colonels and 25 enlisted men of the third army corps headquarters detachment.

The Fourth division, nicknamed by its members the "Forgotten Fourth" because of its lack of publicity, fought in the Aisne, Marne, St. Mihiel and Argonne offensives, suffering 2,749 casualties of a total of 5,330 officers and men engaged in action. Of 165 officers originally, there were 103 casualties at the end of the war.

Gene, son of K. R. Bolt, of this place, and Linus Hewlett, son of Rev. H. B. Hewlett, are members of the Fourth Division.

FROM TEXAS.

Mrs. Ruth Hall Roberts, El Paso, Texas, has been visiting her cousin, Frank Powers. It has been thirty-three years since her last visit here. Mrs. Roberts is the widow of a Baptist minister. She was suddenly called away to meet a soldier son returning from France with a French bride.

—Grayson Journal.

LOUISA BEATS PRICHARD.

The Prichard, W. Va., baseball team came to Louisa last Saturday and played the Louisa team. The score was 10 to 8 in favor of Louisa.

Mrs. J. E. Kiser and Logan Kiser visited relatives at Oule this week.

Miss Louise Arnold, of Columbus, O., who had been visiting Mrs. Mary Burns Horton a few weeks, left Thursday for a visit to Ironton relatives.

HUNTINGTON MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH BENEATH TRACTOR

A sad accident occurred near Buchanan Monday morning of this week when Charles Hatch, 24, of Huntington, W. Va., was crushed to death beneath the wheels of a tractor which he was demonstrating.

A log rolled from the truck striking him and knocking him from his seat. His leg caught in one of the wheels, forcing his body under the tractor and his chest was so badly crushed that he died on the way to Catlettsburg. He was salesman for an automobile dealer in Huntington and left home at six o'clock that morning.

John Kirk, whom Hatch was teaching to operate the tractor, was unable to stop the machine when the peril of the situation became imminent. Jim Peterman, who was passing near the field where the accident occurred, ran to proffer assistance and with frenzied exertion lifted the truck from the prostrate victim.

Kirk and Peterman stated that Hatch remained conscious for several minutes, and directed them to inform his relatives of the accident.

Mr. Hatch was a popular young man in Huntington. One day before enlisting in the Signal corps of the army he married Miss Goldie Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, of Sixth avenue.

This was early in December, 1917. The next day he left for Columbus Barracks, Ohio, where he was later transferred to Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill. Subsequently he was sent to Newport News, Va., in the aviation corps. He was discharged in April, and returned to Huntington, having served with honor in the time of national peril, and retained on home soil only because of invaluable work here as an instructor.

Beside the mother, Mrs. Irene Hatch, he leaves two sisters, Miss Janet and Miss Josephine Hatch, and one brother, James, who is now employed with a coal corporation and who formerly held a position as teller in the Huntington National Bank.

THE STURCELL TRIAL.

Louisville, Ky.—After fiery arguments by counsel for the accused and the trial Judge Advocate the case of Dr. George M. Sturgell, of Ashland, charged with theft of thousands of dollars' worth of drugs, linen and other Government property, was given into the hands of the court, whose decision will not be made public until after the reviewing authority has examined the record.

In the final argument Charles Higgins, of Ashland, civilian counsel for Dr. Sturgell, declared that Maj. William Nafis, witness for the Government, had testified to reading medical books which books never existed. Mr. Higgins said that he submitted bogus names to the witness. Mr. Higgins also said that two members of the board which tested Dr. Sturgell's sanity are not acquainted with insanity.

Lieut. R. M. Bridgforth, Sturgell's military counsel, said the prosecution failed utterly to prove larceny, but had only established that the physician had the goods in his possession.

Dr. Sturgell had nothing to say and did not take the stand.

The whole defense of the trial during its hearing last week was to prove the insanity of the accused. The prosecution offered in rebuttal the report of a board of medical officers who examined Dr. Sturgell and pronounced him sane.

Frank Uhler, of Kernit, W. Va., of the Insurance Bureau of the Modern Woodmen in that place, was the first witness. He testified that Dr. Sturgell had been employed by the insurance bureau as medical examiner, but that he had been released two years ago because of incompetency. He added that Sturgell had been his personal physician, but that during the past three years he had been afraid to take any of the medicine prescribed by Dr. Sturgell.—Louisville Times.

JUDGE HANNAH STRONGLY INDORSES JUDGE CARROLL

Sandy Hook, Ky., July 24, 1919. Hon. M. M. Logan, Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

I write this letter to express my deep interest in the candidacy of Chief Justice John D. Carroll for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the primary on August 24.

I know Judge Carroll intimately; we served together as Judges of the Court of Appeals. I never knew a finer type of man. He would make an ideal Governor, firm, fair and just. That he would defeat the Republicans in November, if nominated, I have no doubt. This should be one of the controlling considerations with Democrats.

Call on me for anything I can do to further his candidacy.

Yours truly,
J. B. HANNAH.

(Paid advertisement)

KICKED BY MULE.

Dan Cameron was kicked in the face by a mule near the freight depot in Louisa Wednesday morning. He was painfully though not seriously injured. He is from Ironton, Ohio, and had brought a drove of mules through the country to this place.

ASSAULT.

Frank Kazee, of Cherokee, is charged with assaulting and seriously injuring an aged man, Worth M. Ferguson, his neighbor. This was the result of the trouble which recently occurred between Kazee and Ferguson's son-in-law, Willie Thompson.

AMERICAN PAYS MEXICAN BANDITS RANSOM FOR RELEASE OF HIS SON

Acting upon the advice of the Mexican Government, John West Thompson, an American ranchman, living near Mexico City, has paid the 1,500 pesos ransom demanded by bandits for the release of his fourteen-year-old son.

The Mexican authorities said they feared the bandits would murder the boy unless they received the money.

Secretary Lansing said the Mexican Foreign Office had agreed to refund the amount of the ransom and to take measures for the capture and punishment of the bandits.

The kidnapping took place Thursday at the Thompson ranch, 30 miles from Mexico City and the boy was released on Friday.

ASHLAND MAN ELECTROCUTED.

Coming in contact with a 2,200 voltage wire, while at work from a telephone pole on 14th street and Greenup avenue, shortly after seven o'clock Saturday morning Frank Carroll, line-man, and an employee of the Board County Electric Co., was electrocuted and died a few minutes after the accident occurred.

Carroll, a man about 27 years old, while repairing a wire accidentally let his leg come in contact with the high voltage wire which resulted in his death before he could be reached by H. E. Francis, a fellow line-man. He leaves a wife and children.

WAYNE COUNTY IS CONTRACTING ROADS

Our enterprising sister county of Wayne, West Virginia, is advertising to let contracts for a considerable amount of new road. Most of this is in the direction of Fort Gay, leading out from Wayne.

It is said a section of ten miles of the Wayne-Kenova road will be let very soon.

Bonds amounting to almost a million dollars have been sold and the money for road work is available.

Wayne county will occupy a prominent place on the map within a few years.

W. C. T. U. MEETING.

At the M. E. Church South on Wednesday evening a meeting was held in reference to the coming state-wide prohibition election in November.

There were two speakers, Mrs. Beauchamp, state president of the W. C. T. U., presented Miss Esther Elfreth who is the president of the New Jersey W. C. T. U.

Miss Elfreth spoke interestingly of the work which had been accomplished by the organization which she represented.

Mrs. Beauchamp then talked directly of the coming prohibition election and the need for the securing every vote possible in favor of the amendment. She asked that an organization be perfected in the county, which would see that information is placed in the hands of the voters concerning the prohibition election. This organization is to help in any way necessary and legitimate to secure the passage of the prohibition measure.

A county organization will be effected at an early date.

THE NEW BAKERY.

Work on the bakery building is progressing very nicely. The new concrete floor is almost completed, and brick is on the ground for the construction of the fire proof wall in the center of the building.

Mr. B. E. Adams was away several days buying machinery and equipment for the business.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Frank Boyd, 21, of Patrick, and Maudie Fitzpatrick, 21, of Richardson, Charley Wilcox, 22, to Bertha Edwards, 26, both of Twin Branch, W. Va.

Ornolda Lowe, 20, Lowmansville, to Olena Fanning, 18, of Charley.

DO YOU WANT FREE COURSE IN NURSING?

The Red Cross of Lawrence county, working in conjunction with other splendid organizations, is offering a free course in general nursing to women of Lawrence county, provided enough of them signify a desire to take it.

The names of all must be sent in to the Secretary of the Lawrence County Red Cross, Louisa, by August 10th. If enough names are received a competent nurse will be sent into the county for two months.

Classes will be made up, for two weeks each, at Louisa, Blaine, Webbville and Fallsburg, in sending in names please designate at which of these four places you desire to take the course.

This is an excellent opportunity to get high class instruction free of cost. Do not neglect to report if you desire to take the course.

VOTE FOR RYLAND MUSICK.

Democrats in every voting precinct in the county are called upon to vote for Ryland C. Musick for Attorney General and help make a winning ticket for November. Pass the word to your neighbor.

IRON TON SOLDIER DEAD.

Raymond Barron, 25, of Ironton, a soldier who arrived in the states from France July 21 and had started to Camp Taylor to be discharged, fell from a moving troop train at Plainfield, N. J., and was instantly killed by the fall.

TUNNEL CAVE-IN.

Traffic on the E. K. railroad has been interfered with the past several days by the caving in of the tunnel three miles this side of Riverton. The top for a distance of some sixty feet gave way leaving a gaping hole forty feet deep. A cut will more than likely have to replace the tunnel. Passengers and perishable freight was transferred while workmen were clearing away the dirt.—Grayson Journal.

LOUISA SCHOOLS OPEN AUGUST 25

The fall term of the Louisa Graded school and Kentucky Normal College will open Monday, August 25th.

Following are the teachers: S. J. Frazier, fifth and sixth grades; Miss Sallie Gearhart, fourth grade; Mrs. W. M. Byington, second and third grades; Miss Clifford Wilson, first grade; Miss Dora Johns, beginners.

Prof. W. M. Byington will teach all above the sixth grade at the college building. The sixth grade and those below will be taught in the public school building.

CAPT. LOEB IS U. S. ENGINEER FOR THIS DISTRICT

Capt. G. A. Loeb, who has been at Louisa and Catlettsburg several times in connection with our work, has been appointed as Junior Engineer in charge of the Catlettsburg suboffice and Dam No. 30, Ohio river, and will assume his duties next Monday.

He has been a captain with the Engineers in France throughout the war and expects his discharge this week.

Capt. Loeb is an engineer of considerable experience and has been in the Engineer service for about 20 years in both Cincinnati districts and in the Louisville district. He has worked on the Ohio, Big Sandy, Kentucky and Muskingum rivers, so that his duties will not be wholly new to him.

JACK DEMPSEY.

Jack Dempsey, conquerer of Jess Willard, and by virtue of the fact champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, is likely to appear in Huntington in a four or six-round sparring exhibition in the near future. Negotiations to this effect are now in progress between Dempsey's manager and the Tri-State Athletic club. If Dempsey appears in Huntington he will spar four rounds with big Bill Bates, his sparring partner, and perhaps two rounds with Pat Canessa, champion middleweight of West Virginia.

There is indeed strong hope of bringing Dempsey to Huntington. During the champion's engagement in Cincinnati during the week after his whirlwind victory over Willard, he promised some old friends from Logan that he would come to Huntington soon in order to meet relatives and acquaintances in Logan and Mingo counties. Both by Dempsey's own statement and by numerous other means it has been definitely established that he is descended from well known families of southern West Virginia and keeps in touch with relatives in Logan and Mingo.

About the time of the 1913 flood he returned to Logan county and worked in the mines at Gay and Shamrock.

If this arrangement is carried out motion pictures will be taken of the sparring event and attendant features and the films exhibited far and near.

CLAIMS SELF DEFENSE.

On a bench warrant charging him with murder, John L. Nance, known as "Donor," was taken to Lexington and lodged in jail. He will be tried at the September Criminal Court for the killing of Courtney Noble in Breathitt county. The Fayette county courts have jurisdiction because the victim died in Lexington July 17, having been taken there for treatment.

LEAD IS HELD BY JUDGE CARROLL

By Thomas B. Cromwell.

Lexington, Ky.—If the writer's post card canvases of the state is as dependable as it has been in the past, and there is no reason why it should not be, unless the estimators in the 120 counties are misjudging the sentiment of the voters, Chief Justice John D. Carroll, of Newcastle, is leading Governor James D. Black, of Barbourville, and should win the Democratic nomination for Governor at the primary next Saturday by approximately 7,000 votes.

WILL STOP AMERICANS MARRYING GERMANS

Coblentz.—Reports of marriages between American soldiers and German girls have been received at headquarters from various parts of the occupied area during the last few days, but as yet no charges have been filed against any of the men as it is believed most of the marriages were due to misunderstanding regarding the anti-fraternization regulations.

A week before the treaty was signed several of the chaplains through a misunderstanding informed the soldiers that marriages were permissible as soon as the Germans accepted the peace terms. Officers say that a number of marriages took place before this belief was corrected by a special order from headquarters calling the attention of officers and men to the fact that until the United States ratifies the treaty Germany and America technically were at war and the regulation prohibiting fraternization was still in force.

At headquarters it is said that even after the United States ratified the treaty, marriages with German girls will be prohibited by an army order.

OIL NEWS.

There is much interest in Magoffin county and promise of extensive development shortly. Leases are being secured at a rapid rate and many are reported changing hands. A well will be put down shortly in the north-east section of the county near Bloomington. The Bed Rock Oil Company is preparing to sink a test on Burning Fork on the Jack Arnett farm, three miles above Salyersville.

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OPEN MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS AUG. 4

Frankfort, Ky.—The opening of the moonlight schools August 4 will be the great step in the campaign now waged by the Kentucky Illiteracy Commission in the hope of eradicating illiteracy from the State by 1920.

The report of Nat B. Sewell, State Inspector and Examiner, rendered in December, 1918, shows that approximately 100,000 illiterates were taught to read and write through the work of the commission and that a similar number yet remained to be taught during the existence of the Illiteracy Commission.

The organization is perfected, and it is the aim of the commission to reach the remaining 100,000 before the 1920 census.

Many teachers are beginning their fourth or fifth year of volunteer service in the counties of the State and all are confident of wiping illiteracy out of their districts during the campaign.

The sessions which open August 2 will be followed by successive sessions in other counties of the State, the moonlight school openings followed closed upon the beginning of the day-school terms.

During the six weeks' session adult illiterates who are unable to attend the moonlight schools will be taken care of in their homes so that by the end of the term, it is hoped, all residents will be able to read and write and the ban of illiteracy will be lifted.

MR. AND MRS. F. T. D. WALLACE HAVE BEEN VISITING MRS. J. M. TURNER IN WINCHESTER.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Yates have returned from a visit in Huntington.

G. J. CARTER WILL LEAVE SUNDAY FOR CHICAGO TO SPEND A FEW DAYS.

Mrs. J. W. Alley, of Nitro, W. Va., spent a few days here this week the guest of her parent, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crutcher.

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(adv.)